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Re: Draft Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) Dangerous Waste Permit

Dear Ms. Olinger, Mr. Brockman, and Mr. Elkins:

This letter transmits the proposed draft permit modification for incorporation of the WTP into Part III, Chapter 10, of the *Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit, Dangerous Waste Portion, for the Treatment, Storage, and Disposal of Dangerous Waste* (WA7890008967) (hereafter know as "the Permit"). If requested, we will provide additional copies of the draft permit modification on CD-ROM or DVD.

A 45-day public comment period for the draft permit modification is required in accordance with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-303-840(3). The public comment period begins October 20, 2008, and ends December 8, 2008. A public hearing is not scheduled, but we will consider holding one if there is enough interest. The Department of Ecology distributed copies of the draft permit modification for public review to the Hanford Public Information Repositories in Richland, Spokane, and Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon.

The draft permit modification consists of the following changes to the Permit:

- Deletion of Permit Conditions III.10.E.2.e. and III.10.C.2.m.
- Addition of proposed Permit Conditions III.10.C.2.m., III.10.C.2.n., and III.10.C.2.o.



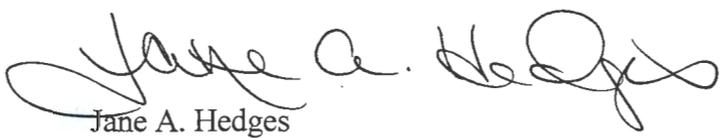
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In accordance with WAC 173-303-830(3), only those conditions subject to modification are reopened. Because this permit modification is limited to the Permit conditions, only the modified portion of the Permit is enclosed. All other aspects of the existing Permit remain in effect for the duration of the modification.

If there are any questions, contact Suzanne Dahl at 509-372-7892.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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